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Andrew von Eschenbach, MD
Acting Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration
Office of the Commissioner
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Department of Health and Human Services
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857-0001

RE: Docket Number 2005P-0411

Dear Dr. Eschenbach:

It has been brought to the attention of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) that there are many issues surrounding bioidentical hormone replacement therapies. While the AAFP does not have a position or policy statement on this issue, we have reviewed the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists committee opinion No. 322 entitled, "Compounded Bioidentical Hormones," which was recently published in the *Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*. The AAFP recognizes the excellent work of the ACOG committee in the development of this opinion, which should be given attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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